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COMMISSION ANNOUNCES STAFF RECIPIENTS OF FCC EXCELLENCE IN ECONOMICS AWARDS

Washington - The Federal Communications Commission today announced the names of seven FCC employees who are recipients of the fourth annual FCC "Excellence in Economic Analysis" awards.

The award winners are William W. Sharkey, James Eisner, Craig Stroup, Mark Uretsky, Catherine Hsu, Andrew S. Wise, and Keith S. Brown. Eisner and Stroup are recognized for joint work with James Zolnierek, a former Commission staff economist now with the Illinois Commerce Commission. Uretsky and Hsu are also recognized for joint work. Brown (who recently left the Commission) is recognized for work with Commission economist Peter Alexander.

The awards recognize outstanding contributions to economic analysis at the Commission, based on the impact of the contribution on Commission policy and/or its significance for the general base of knowledge in economics or public policy analysis.

The Excellence in Economic Analysis awards are a key part of the Commission's Excellence in Economic Analysis initiative, which also includes expanding staff training opportunities and additional resources for software and other research materials. Up to five awards are given annually and all Commission staff are eligible for nomination.